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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 5/23/2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 3-12 (renumbered 1-11).
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendments and Arguments

1. Applicant's rewritten claim 1 to incorporate claim 2 in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims filed 5/23/2006 have been fully considered and they are persuasive. Claim 2 has been canceled.

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1 and 3-12 are allowable over the prior of records.
2. The following is an Examiner's statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: Regarding claims 1 and 3, the allowability, at least in part, resides in a method for managing product output, used to connect work partners at different locations of an enterprise through a network to a system for managing product output, wherein the managing system allows the enterprise to control distribution of performances and profits, fails to teach in part at least searching via the managing system in the order database for order data corresponding in third party identification number to the deleted manufacture data, and deleting the searched order data, for being used as reference of product output for the first work partner. Regarding claim 9, the allowability, at least in part, resides in a system for managing product output, connected to work partners at different locations of an enterprise through a network, for allowing the enterprise to control distribution of performances and profits, fails to teach in part at least an output module prompted by the analysis module to retrieve manufacture data from the manufacture database corresponding to a request for

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inputting an output message from the second work partner, wherein the retrieved manufacture data correspond to the output message in product category code, output quantity, output time, client and manufactory; and the output module for deleting the retrieved manufacture data, and retrieving corresponding order data from the order database according to the deleted manufacture data, so as to delete the retrieved order data, for being used as reference of product output for the first work partner.

3. Claims 4-8, and 10-12 are allowed for the same reasons above.

Conclusion

1. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to examiner Douglas Lee, whose telephone number is (571) 272-3745. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00AM- 4:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, *Albert Decady*, can be reached on (571) 272-3997 or via e-mail addressed to [*albert.decady@uspto.gov*]. The fax number for this Group is (571) 273-8300. Communications via Internet e-mail regarding this application, other than those under 35 U.S.C. 132 or which otherwise require a signature, may be used by the applicant and should be addressed to [*doug.lee@uspto.gov*].

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